GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3159
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DEFAULT IN PAYMENT OF ESI DUES
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

referring to the reply given to Unstarred Question No. 1730 dated July 19, 2004 and state:

(a) the quantum of defaulted amount;

(b) the quantum of the arrears recovered so far from the defaulter employers; and

(c) the action has been taken against the defaulter employers?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO)

(a): The cumulative defaulted amount of ESIC contribution alongwith interest as on 31.03.2004 was Rs.918.47 Crores.

(b): About Rs.100.23 Crores has been recovered during the current financial year from April 2004 to November 2004.

(c): In the event of non-payment of ESI contribution by the defaulting employers, the dues are recovered by the recovery officers of the ESI Corporation as arrears of land revenue according to the provisions of Section 45-C to 45-I of the ESI Act, apart from launching of prosecutions under Section 85/85A of the ESI Act, and under Section 406/409 of the Indian Penal Code.